**Term Paper**

You will compose **an 8-page** public health term paper on a specific ethnic minority population, as described in this assignment. The 8-page term paper should be typed, double spaced, 1 “ margins, pages numbered, and written in professional English. In addition to the paper, a cover page with your name and title of the paper should be included, as well as a reference page at the end of the paper that sites multiple sources of information you have included in the paper (books, peer-reviewed journals, government reports, professional websites, etc.)

The final paper must be comprised of the following sections:

**Section 1 (2 pages):** Select a specific “micro-population” of new immigrants or refugees that currently resides in Iowa, the United States, or abroad. Describe this specific ethnic population, and provide relevant information about these people from a general standpoint. Include information about them that would be important to know from a public health service standpoint, such as information regarding their country of origin, ethnic identity and diversity, language, demographic trends, clan identify if applicable, and reasons for migration, if they have relocated. Please note that broad groups such as “Latinos” or “Asians” or “Africans” or “Muslims” or “Hindus” are too vague for a selection as a population for this assignment, and are not allowed. Instead, you should choose a more specific refugee or immigrant population that comes from one country or ethnicity, such as Mexicans, Hondurans, Salvadorans, Liberians, Sudanese, Somalis, Tai Dam, Vietnamese, Hmong, Iraqi Kurds, or any of the other hundreds of ethnic groups that are immigrants or minorities.

**Section 2 (2 pages):** Describe any common cultural, linguistic, economic, social, educational, political, or related characteristics frequently seen within this population that would be important to understand for public health workers.

**Section 3 (2 pages):** Discuss the major health issues, barriers, and challenges affecting this specific immigrant population from a public health standpoint. Also include any unique strengths or opportunities they may bring to a community because of their cultural background.

**Section 4 (2 pages):** Provide a set of recommendations from a general public health programming and policy standpoint for workers that would help them reduce disease and promote health among this population.